Nays—Smyth, Stringer, Keenleyside, T. Peel—4.

Mr. Minhinnick was declared appointed.

A by-law for the appointment of a Water Commissioner for the city of London, in the room and stead of Ellis W. Hyman, Esq., deceased, was read three times and finally passed.

Ex-Ald. Minhinnick then rose to return thanks for the honor that had been conferred upon him.

Moved by Ald. Campbell, seconded by Ald. Powell, that the matter of submitting to the people the sale of Salter's Grove and exhibition grounds be enlarged indefinitely, and that a special committee consisting of His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Egan, Christie, Glass, Keenleyside, Skinner, Powell and Campbell, be appointed to ascertain where suitable grounds can be found for exhibition purposes and the approximate cost and report at next meeting if possible. Carried.

Moved by Ald. Pritchard, seconded by Ald. Powell, that the hospital and relief committee be instructed to report on the advisability of establishing a Poor House or Industrial Home for this city. Carried.

Moved by Ald. Stringer, seconded by Ald. Skinner, that the City Engineer be requested to furnish a quarterly report of all work done in each ward of the city, and the amount expended for the same, for the information of this council, the first quarter ending the 15th of May next. Carried.

The Board adjourned.

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# City Council Proceedings.

*Council Chamber, April 29th, 1878*

The Board of Aldermen met in the Council Chamber at the usual hour, His Worship Mayor Lewis in the chair, and the following members present: Aldermen Pritchard, Campbell, Smyth, Murray, Powell, Skinner. Keenleyside, Edleston, Glass, Browne, Rapley, Christie, J. R. Peel, Egan, Stringer, Regan, Williams, T. Peel, McNab, Vining.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed by the Mayor.

Communications were read—

From Mr. W. P. R. Street, relative to sale of St. James' Park. Referred to the Mayor and the Chairman of the Finance Committee.

From Messrs. J. H Flock (for Mr. S. Peters) and Chas. G. Moore, for permission to allow new frame buildings to remain within fire limits. Referred to Fire, Water and Gas Committee.

An account of $26.25, from Edward Hanson, caretaker of Park, was referred to the Park Committee.

Ald. Egan, chairman of the Fire, Water and Gas Committee, reported progress on the new gas contract.

Ald. J. R. Peel, chairman, submitted the following report from the Board of Works.

Your Board of Works beg to report that they, with the City Engineer and Street Commissioner, have examined such streets as require repairs, and have received the approximate estimate of the work proposed to be done. Recommend to this council that the sum of $15,000 be placed at the disposal of the Board of Works, to be expended in general improvements through the city.

On motion the report was considered in committee of the whole, Ald. Regan in the chair.

Ald. J. R. Peel moved the adoption of the report.

Moved in amendment by Ald. Campbell, seconded by Ald. Smyth, that $5,000 of the amount asked for be reserved to gravel and improve the streets after the water works are finished. Lost.

Moved in further amendment by Ald. Pritchard, seconded by Ald. Smyth, that the crossings asked for by the members of No. 1 Ward be added to the engineer's estimate. Lost.

Moved in amendment by Ald. Campbell, seconded by Ald. Stringer, that in the meantime this Council grant the sum of $10,000 to the Board of Works. Lost.

The report passed, and the committee rose and council resumed

The Chairman reported the report as passed.

On a motion to adopt, it was

Moved in amendment by Ald. Powell, seconded by Ald. Murray, that the gravelling of Talbot street, between Oxford and Dundas, be included in the expenditure asked for by the Board of Works for 1878. Lost.

Moved in further amendment by Ald. Pritchard, seconded by Ald. Smyth, that the crossings asked for by the members of No. 1 Ward be added to the engineer's estimate. Lost.

Yeas—Pritchard, Campbell, Smyth, Powell, Murray.

Nays—McNab, Regan, Keenleyside, Edleston, Glass, Browne, Rapley, Christie, Williams, Vining, T. Peel, J. R. Peel, Egan.

Not voting—Skinner and Stringer.

Ald. Campbell then moved in amendment, second by Ald. Murray, that $3,000 of the amount asked for be reserved as a contingent fund to gravel and improve the streets after the water works are built. Lost.

The report was then adopted.

Yeas—McNab, Keenleyside, Edleston, Glass, Browne, Rapley, Christie, Williams, T. Peel, J. R. Peel, Egan.

Nays—Pritchard, Campbell, Smyth, Murray, Powell, Regan, Skinner, Stringer.